



Monday Message

October 11, 2021

Special Education Module

Note: This message is a repeat of the October 6, 2021, Director's Weekly Message.

Reminder: Indicator 8 Surveys

Please send a reminder to parents to complete the Indicator 8 Survey for the 2020-21 school year. This survey provides important information to NCDPI about the role parents play in IEP Development and outcomes for students with disabilities. As of today, we have noticed a sharp decrease in the number of responses than we had at this time last year. The Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) not only reviews the percentage of parents reporting that schools facilitated their involvement, but also compares the distribution of surveys with the return rate. Please stress the importance of completing the surveys to all schools and parents. We understand that some students with disabilities will have matriculated to another school, moved away from your LEA, graduated, dropped out, or are no longer eligible for special education services. Therefore, please distribute to the parents/guardians of children who were on your December 1, 2020 Child Count, unless a child has passed away. Please disseminate the information as soon as possible and emphasize the importance of parents completing the survey by November 1, 2021.

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2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 11

All Public-School Units are responsible for certifying Indicator 11 - Child Find in ECATS. The Indicator 11 count captures the percent of students for whom a referral was received, and placement determined within 90 days and is based on data from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The Indicator 11 Count opened October 1, 2021 and is due by close of business October 29, 2021. The training video, ECATS Webinar – Indicator 11 Reporting, along with additional reference handouts are posted in each district's ECATS instance on the main page under Resources > Federal Reporting. Please submit any questions or student level data corrections directly to ZenDesk to ensure that problems with data are corrected efficiently

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2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 12

Indicator 12 captures data on students who received Part C services and were referred to Part B during the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year. All students must have an IEP developed within 90 days of the referral and receive services by their 3rd birthday. Indicator 12 will be submitted on spreadsheets by all PSUs and can be accessed by clicking this link: Indicator 12 Spreadsheet or by going to the ECATS site under Resources:(<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/resources>). The spreadsheet has a tab with helpful clarifications to assist PSUs on entering their data and can be submitted at any time prior to the due date of October 29, 2021. Charter Schools do not need to submit an Indicator 12 spreadsheet this year. Please email all Indicator 12 spreadsheets to ecindicators@dpi.nc.gov.

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Important Federal Reporting Reminder: Submission Timeliness

If your district does not certify the data required for Indicators by the due date, your data may be certified by state staff. The integrity of the data is always at risk when the Department of Public Instruction must finalize the data for your district.

Note: This message is a repeat of the October 4, 2021, Monday Message.

ECATS Data Manager Contact Directory

Please click [this link](#) to access the ECATS Data Manager Contact Directory. Review and update the ECATS Data Manager who serves as the point of contact for your LEA/Charter School/State Operated Program.

For previous issues of the ECATS Monday Message, please visit <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/monday-messages>.